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The Honorable Jocelyn G. Boyd
Chief Clerk/Administrator
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
101 Executive Center Drive
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

RE: Petition of South Carolina Electric & Gas Company for an Accounting Order to Defer the Depreciation and Amortization Expenses as Well as the Incremental Operation and Maintenance Expenses That Will Be Incurred as a Result of Complying with the Cyber Security Regulations Promulgated by the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission; Docket No. 2015-372-E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

By Order No. 2015-790, issued in the above-referenced docket, the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") authorized South Carolina Electric & Gas Company ("SCE&G" or "Company") to defer as a regulatory asset no more than \$9,100,000 during the five-year time period of January 1, 2015, to December 31, 2019, in depreciation and amortization expenses as well as incremental operation and maintenance expenses the Company will incur as a result of complying with certain cyber security requirements promulgated by the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission. As part of its order the Commission stated, "[t]he Company shall file with the Commission and the Office of Regulatory Staff quarterly reports regarding the cyber security expenses." See Order No. 2015-790. The purpose of this letter is to provide the Commission and ORS with a status update on the deferred expenses.

As of December 31, 2018, the deferred expenses total \$6,261,136.72.

By copy of this letter, SCE&G is providing the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff with this status update of the deferral account.

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If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Very truly yours,



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